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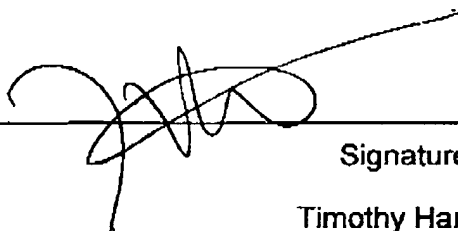
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Dear Sirs:

This amendment, filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) mailed April 11, 2005, supplements the previously filed Response to the Office Action filed March 30, 2005 and includes a resubmission of the arguments set forth therein.

The **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

The **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS** begin on page 7.